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SUBJECT: NEW SOVIET-MONGOLIAN ACCORDS ON ECONOMIC COOPERATION SIGNED

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1. NEW DOCUMENTS ON SOVIET-MONGOLIAN ECONOMIC COOPERATION WERE
SIGNED RECENTLY IN MOSCOW BY DELEGATIONS OF THE TWO COUNTRIES.
ACCORDING TO TASS VESTNIK, DOCUMENTS SEEM TO BE FOLLOW-UP TO
AGREEMENTS REPORTED REFTTEL. IN PARTICULAR A PROTOCOL WAS SIGNED THAT
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WILL INCREASE THE ACTIVITIES OF "MONGOLSOVTSVETMET," A JOINT

ECONOMIC TRUST CREATED IN 1973 WHICH CARRIES OUT GEOLOGICAL PROSPECTING AND THE EXTRACTION AND PRODUCTION OF FLUOR-SPAR AND GOLD IN MONGOLIA. THE NEW PROTOCOL CALLS FOR THE EXPLOITATION OF A NEW FLUOR-SPAR DEPOSIT IN THE REGION OF KHAVA-AYRAGA (TRANSLITERATION). THE SOVIETS ARE TO EXTEND CREDIT AND PROVIDE TECHNOLOGY FOR THIS PROJECT.

2. DURING DISCUSSIONS IN MOSCOW THE TWO SIDES AGREED TO UNDERTAKE "ENERGETIC MEASURES" TO DEVELOP THE KEY SECTORS OF THE MONGOLIAN ECONOMY, ESPECIALLY THE MINING INDUSTRY, ENERGY, LIGHT INDUSTRY AND AGRICULTURE. IN PARTICULAR THE SOVIETS ARE TO BROADEN THEIR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE IN THE CREATION OF A JOINT MONGOLIAN-SOVIET COPPER-MOLYBDENUM ORE-CONCENTRATING COMBINE "ERDENET." ITS FIRST PRODUCTION LINE IS PLANNED TO GO INTO OPERATION IN 1978 AND IT WILL ATTAIN AN ANNUAL PRODUCTION OF FOUR MILLION TONS.

3. COMMENT: THESE PARTICULARS CONFIRM EMBASSY COMMENTS IN REFTTEL RE SOVIET EXPLOITATION OF MONGOLIA THROUGH "JOINT" VENTURES.

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